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LETTER TO EXAMINER

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Sir:

Examiner Nguyen is thanked for the telephone interview of May 31, 2002. Examiner Nguyen stated that no Response to the Election of Species Requirement mailed January 11, 2002 was in the application file. Applicant's representative informed Examiner Nguyen that a Response had been filed on February 11, 2002. In accordance with Examiner Nguyen's request, applicants submit herewith a copy of the Response to Election of Species Requirement filed on February 11, 2002 along with a copy of the postcard date stamped February 11, 2002 by the Patent Office acknowledging receipt of the Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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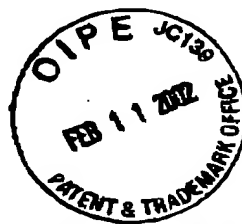
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